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WANT TO GET OUT

Delay in Nominations Irritating to Some Incumbents.

CHIEFLY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE

Secretary of the Embassy at Rome, Larz Anderson, Compelled to Postpone His Wedding—Gen. Lee Also Anxious to Be Relieved.

Washington, March 25.—Embarrassment to incumbents is as serious over the delay in patronage distribution as it is to office-seekers in a number of instances, the most notable cases being in the diplomatic and consular service, where several officials are being seriously inconvenienced by the failure to get their resignations accepted. One of the most pressing of these is that of Larz Anderson of Ohio, secretary of embassy at Rome. He is a republican and has been in the service since 1890, when he became second secretary at London under Minister Lincoln. In 1894 he was promoted to his present position in Italy and recently he has been charged d'affaires in the absence of Ambassador MacVeagh. Mr. Anderson called the state department yesterday begging to be relieved, but a reply had to be sent to him requesting him to continue a short time longer, and that every effort would be made to gratify his request. This condition is embarrassing to Mr. Anderson, as all arrangements had been made for his wedding to a multi-millionaire lady of Boston, Miss Perkins, soon after Easter. Nothing seems left to be done but to postpone the wedding. No secret is made at the state department that Senator Hale's son has been selected to succeed Mr. Anderson, but it is thought advisable to nominate the ambassador to Italy before making the lower appointment. Consul-General Fitzhugh Lee's case is another pressing one. Not only is the bad season at Havana coming on, but Gen. Lee does not wish to serve under a republican administration, which might injure his prospects of future political honors in his own state. He has reiterated his desire to return home at the earliest possible moment and cannot understand why it should take a month to select his successor.

Applicants for Treasury Positions.

The following applications for positions under the treasury department have been made public: To be collector of customs—J. H. Raymond of Bath, Me., at Bath. To be surveyors of customs—T. D. Hyatt of Brooklyn, N. Y., at New York; L. M. Johnson of Philadelphia, at Philadelphia. Andrew Jacobs of New York to be naval officer of customs of New York. Collectors of internal revenue—A. L. Miller of New York, at New York; W. M. Taggart of Philadelphia, at Philadelphia. G. E. Price of Myerstown, Pa., at Baltimore. Md. D. W. C. Carroll of Pittsburgh, to be supervising inspector of steam vessels at Cincinnati.

COMMISSIONS SIGNED.

Credentials of Two Ambassadors Now at the State Department.

Washington, March 25.—The president has signed the commissions of John Hay, ambassador to the court of St. James; Horace Porter, ambassador to France, and Henry White, first secretary of embassy at London. The commissions have been sent to the state department. Mr. White took the oath of office at the state department yesterday. He will sail from New York Saturday, armed with a letter from the secretary of state to Lord Salisbury, minister for foreign affairs, accrediting him as charge d'affaires ad interim of the United States. Ambassador Bayard is now absent on the continent, and Mr. White will have several weeks to serve as the principal diplomatic representative of this government at London.

Attack on Civil Service Laws.

Washington, March 25.—The attack in the senate upon the civil service law and its administration, which was started on Tuesday, has been followed up by the introduction of two bills, one by Mr. Allen, rep., Neb., for the repeal and annulment of the law and of all executive orders issued under it, and the other by Mr. Pritchard, rep., N. C., chairman of the committee on civil service and retrenchment, modifying it in its application to the government printing office.

Tariff Before Nominations.

Washington, March 25.—A congressman who visited the White House was informed by the president that nominations would be few and far between until the tariff discussion was well under way in the senate. This means a long wait. The Dingley bill will not be voted on as a whole until March 31. The senate, as a deliberative body, will take its time with the measure, which must, however, first go to the finance committee for consideration, revision and amendment.

Platt Sees the President.

Washington, March 25.—Senator T. C. Platt had a long talk with the president yesterday afternoon, and it is currently reported that he was successful in securing a promise of the nomination of Archie E. Baxter of

Elmira to be third assistant postmaster-general. Senator Platt presumably told the president the result of the conference of the New York congressional delegation about the federal offices.

Dinner at the White House.

Washington, March 25.—The President and Mrs. McKinley gave a dinner last night in honor of the cabinet. The state dining room and the reception rooms in the first floor were profusely decorated with growing plants and cutflowers. Covers were laid for twenty-two.

ROUGH ON PARTY WORKERS.

Favoritism at the Navy Yard Will Not Be Allowed, Says Secretary Long.

Washington, March 25.—Secretary John D. Long of the navy department has made an emphatic answer to congressional delegations from New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia and California, who have been requesting him for the past two weeks to "let down the bars" at the Brooklyn, League island, Norfolk and Mare island navy yards, so as to admit party workers, irrespective of merit qualifications. It has been alleged that in carrying in effect the civil service regulations—favoritism was shown to democrats. Mr. Long replies that "when the system of employing mechanics and laborers upon merit first went into effect it was reasonable to suppose that those who were to administer the regulations would make some mistakes," but "favoritism will not be allowed." Then he adds these explicit instructions: "It is the intention of the department to enforce fairly and justly the regulations as promulgated, and to disarm unjust criticism it is necessary that the attention of each official at the yard under his command be called to what is expected of him, as to the certainty of punishment if any person entrusted with the enforcement of the labor regulations violates them or fails, through carelessness or negligence, to perform the duties expected of him. The department desires you to personally communicate to officials at the yard under your command its views as expressed above."

WILL BID FOR ARMOR PLATE.

Illinois Iron & Steel Co. To Enter the Field of Competitors.

Washington, March 25.—Vice-President Palmer of the Illinois Iron & Steel company of Chicago, who has been spending the past few days in Washington, will be one of the bidders for the manufacture of the armor plate for the new battleships. The bids will be opened on April 8. The company of which Mr. Palmer is the vice-president has an extensive plant at Chicago, and if their bid be accepted it is their purpose to enlarge their works so as to enable them to manufacture armor plate for the future. At present the only firms in America which engage in this business are the Carnegies of Pittsburgh and the Bethlehem company of Bethlehem, Pa.

PILGRIM FATHERS' RECORDS.

Mr. Lazard's Petition for Their Custody To Be Heard in London To-day.

London, March 25.—The petition presented by Thomas F. Bayard, United States ambassador, on behalf of the president and citizens of the United States, will be heard in St. Paul's cathedral this afternoon by the chancellor of the diocese of London. The petition asks for the custody of the manuscripts deposited in the library of the duke of Devonshire containing the records of the early history of the Pilgrim Fathers and their voyage to America in the Mayflower.

Suit for Valuable Land.

Amesbury, Mass., March 25.—Hon. Calvin Page of Portsmouth, N. H., has been retained as counsel by the Misses Miller of New Haven, Conn., who are contesting for the estate of the late Simon P. Towle, at Hampton, N. H. One hundred acres of the most valuable land of the town is at stake. On this land are three churches, the Hampton company's shoe factory and nine dwellings. The owners of these have been requested to pay for their sites over again, as the Misses Miller claim that the purchases by these people of Mr. Towle is not legal, as he only held the property in trust.

Against the Sale of Prize-fight Views.

Washington, March 25.—A bill prohibiting the exposition in the District of Columbia of kinetoscope representations of prize-fights and also prohibiting the transportation of materials therefor through the mails or through the avenues of interstate commerce has been introduced in the senate by Mr. Hoar, rep., Mass., and referred to the judiciary committee.

Nominated by the President.

Washington, March 25.—The president has sent to the senate the following postmaster nominations: Vermont—John A. Sheldon, Rutland. Massachusetts—Alfred Hocking, Melrose. New York—G. E. Drumm, Chatham. Pennsylvania—James W. Worrall, Kennett Square; Harry F. Hawkins, Beaver Falls.

Secretary Alger's Private Secretary.

Washington, March 25.—Fred C. Squires of Michigan has been appointed private secretary to Secretary Alger.

GREAT MINE FIRE

Fully Forty Acres of Coal Burning Near Wilkesbarre.

BLAZE STARTED BY GAS EXPLOSION

Boiler House Near the Scene Blown To Pieces—Several Firemen Seriously Burned—May Not Be Subdued in Many Months.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 25.—The people living in the eastern part of this city were startled yesterday afternoon by a loud report resembling an earthquake. The concussion was so great that it was felt for miles around. Residents became alarmed, ran out of their homes and into the streets. An investigation soon showed that the gas in an eight-inch bore-hole, which had been sunk from the surface over No. 2 mine, operated by the Delaware & Hudson Canal Co., into the pits below had ignited, and began to blaze furiously, and the flames shot up into the air a distance of fully fifty feet. A general alarm was promptly sounded and the fire department responded. The efforts of the firemen were confined to saving the adjoining properties. The house of Thomas Barrett, which is nearest, was partially destroyed. Assistant chief engineer Geo. St. John, firemen Michael Boyle and John Smith were seriously burned by attempting to smother the flames in the bore-hole. It is impossible to tell when the fire will be subdued. It is estimated that fully forty acres of coal are on fire in the mine below and may burn for a day, a week, or possibly for many months. The boiler house near the bore-hole soon became filled with gas, and when it came in contact with the fire under the boilers an explosion followed, demolishing the structure. The bore-hole was sunk for the purpose of tapping the gas and letting it escape to permit water to run.

REBEL DEFEATS REPORTED.

Cuban War Reports Given Out by the Spanish Officials at Havana.

Havana, March 25.—Gen. Linarez reports that his command of 1,600 men, comprising infantry, cavalry and artillery, left Songo, in the province of Santiago de Cuba, and at the La Sal ranch encountered several parties of rebels under the leadership of Cebreco, with whom they had a sharp engagement. The rebels were finally forced to retire from their positions, which were then occupied by the Spanish troops. It is reported that the camp of Calisto Garcia's column has been captured by the Spaniards after a severe fight, at the conclusion of which the insurgents were found to have left sixteen of their number dead on the field. The capture of the camp was effected by a dashing cavalry charge. The rebels were reinforced by the column under Rabi and awaited the troops at Baire Arriba, but were obliged to retire to a point within sight of Jiguani. In the course of these journeys and in the engagements the rebels lost twenty-seven men killed. The Spaniards had one lieutenant and fourteen privates wounded. By order of Capt. Gen. Weyler Isabela Rafael Bourke, an English prisoner who has been for some time detained at Cienfuegos, has just been released.

Two British Ships Barred from Crete.

Greece, March 25.—The foreign admirals have forbidden the entrance of two British merchant vessels, which started for Crete before the blockade was proclaimed for the purpose of taking on cargoes of oil. The captains of the two ships have protested against the action of the admirals. The proclamation announcing the blockade of the ports of Crete declares that any Greek vessel coming within the limits of the blockade will be fired upon.

Rumor Officially Denied.

London, March 25.—The officials at the foreign office deny the statement that the powers have accepted a proposal made by the sultan that King George of Greece shall occupy and administer the government of Greece and appoint a high commissioner for the island, together with the intimation that the king would nominate his second son, Prince George, as high commissioner.

Signs of Better Times.

Johnstown, Pa., March 25.—The McGreevy Coke works at Gracetown, Indiana county, have fired every oven this week, and they expect to work full time for months ahead. They received a contract last week for all the coke they can burn for a period of three months at least. Over 100 men are now at work, and at least seventy-five more will be employed within a few days.

To Stop Deer Hunting with Hounds.

Albany, March 25.—This afternoon the assembly fish and game committee will report favorably the bill prohibiting the hunting and killing of deer with hounds for five years after June 1, 1897.

Lord Salisbury Going to Cimex.

London, March 25.—Lord Salisbury will start for Cimex this afternoon to act as minister in attendance upon Queen Victoria.

TREATY IS WRECKED

Comment of the British Press on the Senate Amendments.

THEY SEE AN ANTI-ENGLISH FEELING

Premature British Philanthropists Advised To Take Warning—Fate of the Treaty in the Senate Impossible To Foreshadow.

London, March 25.—The St. James Gazette, in a leading editorial article upon the action of the United States senate in adopting the amendments to the arbitration treaty reported by the foreign relations committee, says: "The unanimous vote of the senate has wrecked the arbitration treaty, and this should be a warning to the premature philanthropists on this side. The senators carried their point with a refinement of the pettifogger's cunning which enables them to profess friendship for the principle of arbitration while they smother the treaty with amendments which make it ridiculous." The Westminster Gazette thinks the senate's action a very disappointing and disconcerting result of all the efforts of Secretary Olney and Lord Salisbury. The anti-English feeling underlying the action of the senate, the paper adds, is the most unpleasant aspect of the matter. The Pall Mall Gazette says that merely to please sensational jingoism and self-importance a promising plan has been wrecked. In concluding the Gazette says: "We firmly believe the Americans generally will be more thoroughly ashamed of their senate than they ordinarily are, which is saying a good deal."

FATE OF TREATY IN DOUBT.

Foreign Relations Committee Would Not Be Surprised If It Were Rejected.

Washington, March 25.—What the ultimate fate of the general arbitration treaty in the senate will be can not be foreshadowed. Another executive session of the senate will be held this afternoon, and events may so shape themselves that there will be a showing of the relative strength of the advocates and opponents of the measure. At present its opponents claim to have the requisite thirty votes to encompass the defeat of the treaty, and they say they have several of the new senators on their list. The questions asked by these new senators indicate a lively interest in the convention and a determination to understand the subject thoroughly before casting their votes. It would not come as a surprise to the committee on foreign relations to have the treaty rejected. At 2 o'clock next Wednesday the vote will be taken on the amendments then pending. At 4 o'clock on Thursday the vote is to be taken upon all amendments that may be offered in the meantime, and this will be the last of the votes on proposed amendments. From that time the debate will proceed on the treaty proper.

TARIFF DEBATE.

The General Discussion To Be Closed To-night According to the Programme.

Washington, March 25.—Large audiences in the galleries and an unusually large attendance on the floor of the house of representatives were on hand this morning when the fourth day's general debate upon the tariff bill was begun. The general debate will be closed to-night. Messrs. Russell, Conn.; Dalzell, Pa.; Steele, Ind., and Payne, N. Y., republican members of the committee on ways and means, and Mr. Bailey, Tex., the democratic leader, are the speakers for the day. The latter makes the formal closing for the minority and Mr. Payne for the majority. Besides these, Messrs. Hepburn, rep., Ia., and Richardson, dem., Tenn., will speak. Mr. Bailey said this morning that he intended to ask that part of his time be extended into the five-minute debate closing March 31.

Educators Win Their Fight.

Washington, March 25.—As a result of the protest of President Dwight of Yale college and the several members of the faculty against the action of the ways and means committee in placing books and scientific apparatus for educational institutions on the dutiable list after having been free for many years, the paragraph relating to these articles has been changed so as to meet the objections of the protesting educators.

Dixon Defeats Erne.

New York, March 25.—Frank Erne met George Dixon for the second time at the Broadway Athletic club last night. Dixon got the decision without the shadow of a doubt. Dixon was himself again, and he did all the leading up to the twenty-first round. Erne stayed away and scarcely landed three good blows until the twenty-first. Dixon fought differently from his usual style. He was more cautious and tried hard to get Erne to lead.

Three Rhad Fishermen Drowned.

Lewes, Del., March 25.—James Wolf, John Hevelow and Peter Mustard, colored, shad fishermen, were drowned yesterday at the mouth of Broad Kill river by the upsetting of their boat in a heavy squall.

FIVE PERSONS MURDERED.

Whole Family Wiped Out and Their Bodies Cremated in Their Home.

Nashville, Tenn., March 25.—Particulars of what appears to have been a horrible murder have been received here from Paradise Ridge. Jacob Ade, one of the oldest and best known farmers of the Ridge settlement, his wife, his daughter and son and a little daughter of Henry Moirer, were, it is thought, murdered and their bodies cremated in Ade's house, which was burned to the ground. The theory of murder is strengthened by the fact that all the bodies were found in the same room but scattered around over the space occupied by this room. It was first thought that the old man was killed for his money, as he was known to be well to do, and always kept a supply of money on hand, but this cannot be positively stated, as the old man's money or at least the ashes of what was once a big roll of money and had been deposited in an oyster can in a closet, has been discovered in the ruins of the house. The dead are: John Ade, Mrs. John Ade, Lizzie Ade, aged 20 years; Henry Ade, aged 13 years, and Rose Moirer, aged 10 years. Jacob Ade lived fifteen miles from this city near the Cheatham county line. The house sets back half a mile from what is known as the old Clarksville turnpike.

Bodies Burned to a Crisp.

The first indication of the tragedy was discovered by Justice Simpson, who lives half a mile from the Ade place, and he at once rode over to the scene and found the house in ruins. Finding no one near, Simpson's suspicions were aroused, and upon a closer examination he saw the bodies of several persons in the ruins. A crowd soon gathered and the bodies were recovered. They had been burned to a crisp. Disposing of the robbery theory, it is very hard to find a motive for the horrible crime, as Mr. Ade was a very popular man and well liked by all his neighbors.

Bubonic Death on a British Steamer.

Quarantine, S. L., March 25.—Health Officer Doty has received a telegram from the agent he appointed at Suez during his trip to Europe stating that the British transfer steamer Dilwarra arrived at that port and reported one death from the bubonic plague three days prior to arrival. The vessel was at once quarantined and is still detained. Every precaution has been taken to isolate the ship.

Flood Situation.

Memphis, Tenn., March 25.—Advices from the flood-stricken district this morning report the situation unchanged. The river is now at a standstill, but a further rise is feared. Relief work and rescue is being conducted in a heroic manner. No further loss of life has been reported.

Anxiety for a Missing Greek Steamer.

Athens, March 25.—Considerable anxiety is felt here for the safety of the Greek steamer Hera, which started for Crete on March 19 with a cargo of provisions for the Greek troops in the island and has not yet returned. On board the steamer were the president of the chamber of deputies and a number of other prominent persons.

To Register Masons and Builders.

Albany, March 25.—Last evening the assembly judiciary committee gave a hearing on Assemblyman Leonard's bill providing that in New York and Brooklyn all masons and builders must register in the office of the county clerk, but no definite action was taken.

Barnes Murder Trial.

Boston, March 25.—District Attorney Weir of Middlesex county has arranged to have the trial of Lorenzo Barnes, charged with the murder of John Deane at Maynard in December last, take place at Lowell early in May.

To Establish a New Department.

Washington, March 25.—Mr. Brownlow, rep., Tenn., has introduced in the house a bill establishing a department of commerce, labor and manufactures. Its head is to be a cabinet officer, and the necessary clerical force is provided for in the bill.

Tents for Flood Sufferers.

Washington, March 25.—The president has signed the joint resolution which passed congress Wednesday authorizing the secretary of war to furnish tents to the sufferers of the Mississippi river flood.

Hutton-Hoffman.

London, March 25.—Most Rev. Frederick Temple, D. D., Archbishop of Canterbury, has issued a license for the marriage of Col. Villiers Hutton of the Grenadier Guards and Miss Emily Burrell Hoffman, an American lady.

New Fire Insurance Company.

Albany, March 25.—Superintendent of Insurance Payn has authorized the Highland Mutual Fire Insurance company of Newburgh to commence business as a mutual fire insurance corporation with a capital of \$100,000.

Canada's New Governor-General.

London, March 25.—It is announced that the Duke of Leeds will be appointed to succeed the Earl of Aberdeen as governor-general of the Dominion of Canada.

PERILS OF THE SEA

Twenty-seven Shipwrecked Sailors Landed at Boston.

CREW OF THE LOST SHIP ANDROSA

Rescued by the Steamer Ontario Near the Irish Coast—Thrilling Experience of the Men on Board the Ill-fated Vessel.

Boston, March 25.—Twenty-seven shipwrecked seamen, after suffering many hardships, have been landed at this port by the Furness line steamer Ontario, from London. Capt. Wise, the commander of the Ontario, reported that he had picked up on March 8, about 300 miles to the westward of the Irish coast, the crew of the iron British ship Androsa, commanded by Capt. David Morgan, which was bound for San Francisco from Liverpool, and had become completely wrecked and was fast sinking when the Ontario hove in sight and went to the rescue of the exhausted men. The vessel sailed from San Francisco, Oct. 28, with a cargo of about 200 tons of grain and a large quantity of canned goods. On Dec. 13, to the westward of Cape Horn, the first serious storm occurred, with very heavy seas running, frequently washing the ship's decks, starting the deck-movables and sweeping away all the deck-movables which had not been securely fastened. During the height of this gale an unknown British ship was passed scudding along under two lower topmasts and making very heavy weather of it. After this gale abated all went well until Jan. 14, when a terrific hurricane overtook the ship. In this storm the cargo shifted and the vessel hove down on her beam ends, and for ten hours her main and foreyards were dragging in the water. The vessel's bulwarks were smashed and one of her starboard lifeboats was demolished.

A Battle for Life.

On March 1 the ship was within 400 miles of Cork, Ireland, when a strong southerly gale set in, accompanied by a terrific sea. The gale steadily increased in fury until the 2d, when it was blowing a full-fledged hurricane from the W. N. W. At 5 o'clock that afternoon the fore and main lower topmasts were blown to pieces, and shortly after this a monstrous tidal wave swept over the ship, bursting in the poop deck, carrying away three lifeboats and skids from the forward house and all moveables from the deck. Capt. Morgan says: "The bulwarks were swept clear away. All the chain plates were torn off, and the huge volume of water had hardly swept over us when all the topmasts went by the board. I had previously ordered the crew below, and no one was on deck but myself and the officers when this awful wave struck us. We were then in a terrible plight. The vessel was unmanageable, and her starboard side was down in the water as far as the hatches. We could not make our way about the vessel with any degree of safety, but as it then became a battle for life I ordered the crew on deck, and we began jettisoning the cargo. When the wave struck the vessel, the second mate, David Evans, was badly injured.

Rescue Came None Too Soon.

"The vessel then sprung a leak and the crew constantly at the pumps were fast becoming helpless. On Sunday, March 7, the weather again moderated, but on the 8th the sky had the appearance of another approaching storm which soon struck us, and it then became a question of a few hours that the vessel would founder. About 9 o'clock that morning the steamer Ontario hove in sight and a distress signal was shown. She sent a boat and after much difficulty the crew was taken off. Most of the men had to be put to bed on board the steamer, and for several days they were unable to be about. When last seen the Androsa was fast settling in the water, preparatory to taking her final plunge."

Disabled Steamer Landed at Sea.

London, March 25.—The North German Lloyd steamer Havel, from New York has arrived at Southampton. She reports that on March 20, at lat. 45 N., long. 41 W., she passed the British steamer Norna, from West Hartlepool for Baltimore. The Norna's shaft was broken, and she asked to be taken in tow. Owing to a short supply of coal the Havel could not render the desired assistance, but informed a passing tank steamer of the Norna's mishap.

Distressed Seamen Brought to Port.

New York, March 25.—On board of the Ward line steamer Vigilancia in port from Mexico and Havana, was Mate Torgensen and seven distressed seamen of the Norwegian bark St. Olaf, which was wrecked in a norther at San Bernardino. She parted her cable and drifted helplessly ashore, becoming a total wreck.

Boys Held for Arson.

Boston, March 25.—Edward Hagan and Arthur H. Welch, 11 and 12 years old respectively, who confessed to setting fire to George W. Gale's lumber yard in Cambridge, have been held in \$500 bail until to-morrow, when juvenile cases are considered.

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A SISTER.

BY GWENDOLEN OVERTON.

Army wives generally have unmarried sisters. These sisters always come out to visit them, and the rest goes by itself.

Mrs. Lorrillard had an unmarried sister. She was very attractive. She was far more attractive than Mrs. Lorrillard ever could have been. The girl's name was Spencer—May Spencer. She was 15 years old, if you took her word for it; and she was blond and pink and white and plump. She came from some place in Ohio, and she visited the Lorrillards at Stanton—which is in New Mexico, 100 miles from the railroad, across Dead Man's valley (there is always a Dead Man's valley) and some steep hills and a lava bed a mile wide. If you have ever seen a lava bed, you cannot appreciate that. You might try to imagine the ocean lashed into fury by a simoon, then fancy its great waves and billows and swells changed suddenly to dark gray-brown stone at the height of the storm, and you may form a vague idea of what the lava bed between Fort Stanton and the railroad is like.

It frightened Miss Spencer badly. The ambulance went slipping, and sliding, and coasting, and thumping, and bounding over the one passable part, in a way that only an ambulance conducted by a driver who has spent his life on Arizona and New Mexico roads could possibly stand. It put all the laws of centripetal force and of equilibrium at naught. It and the four mules were laws unto themselves.

Miss Spencer was not accustomed to that sort of thing. She stood it as long as she could, and then she told Maj. Roche—in whose charge she was traveling—that she meant to get out and walk. She had bothered the major a good deal already, and he was getting tired, so he did not say anything, but simply told the driver to "slow up" and let Miss Spencer get out by herself.

She fell behind after a moment, and the ambulance went relentlessly on, creaking, flapping its canvas, clanking its chains, its brake screeching shrilly. And as it disappeared, sometimes lost to sight in a great hollow, sometimes toiling up a smooth face of lava, Miss Spencer felt herself abandoned, indeed, in a New Mexico desert under that terrible midsummer sun. The heat was fiery, scorching, parching. The sky was like hot blue glass. She wondered why, when the lava was hot enough to burn her feet through the soles of her shoes, it did not melt or grow soft. She kept on walking because she was afraid to stop. Twice she slipped and fell and cut her hands. Under the porous, piled-up rock, rabbits and owls and quail were hidden; there were snakes, too, and lizards. At first she was frightened when they scurried by her, but soon, with her head ringing and her eyes dazed with congested blood and her mouth open and as dry as flour, she did not even notice them.

She reached the end of the huge rock river at last, and found the ambulance waiting. The driver was asleep, and the major was drinking beer. He offered her some, and when she had drunk it she held out her broad little foot.

"My shoes are all out to pieces, and they were new and awfully heavy," she said.

"You should have kept still," he answered.

Now, Miss Spencer wanted sympathy, and when she didn't get it she took a dislike to the major; and because she disliked him, she eventually made him sorry.

For the first fortnight of her visit she was not pretty. She was sunburned from her passage of the lava sea. Her face was red and swollen, then blotchy, and lastly peely. After that she returned to the normal pink and white. She was the only girl at the post, and there was a bachelor, a brevet bachelor, a young contract surgeon, and Maj. Roche's son. The bachelor officer was studious—the kind that have much faith and think that the great fathers in Washington will reward lieutenants who pass high exams, and have ideas or Indians. He had no time for young women. He paid his one call and retired. The brevet bachelor is peculiar to the service. His wife is back east, visiting her family. He differs from the real article only in that he is ineligible. He was devoted to Miss Spencer, but he did not count. There was also the contract surgeon. Of course, he was only a contract surgeon. Still, he was tall and blond and had a beguiling southern drawl. He fell in love with Miss Spencer.

But the exciting part of the story hinges on Maj. Roche's son. He was 20, but he was of no use on earth. He was just a boy, and never would be anything more. He had failed in everything he had ever undertaken. He couldn't even dance, and he was afraid of a three-foot requin when he rode. He depended on his papa for everything, and he thought he knew women through and through. Providence sent Miss Spencer to show him that he didn't—but the ways of Providence are inscrutable, and I can't be sure.

Well, the contract surgeon fell in love with Miss Spencer, but, like Viola, he never told his love. Now, as the bachelor was hidden, Miss Spencer couldn't fall in love with him, and no one could have fallen in love with Teddy Roche, so she reciprocated the contract surgeon's passion.

"His name was Randolph—Custis Randolph, to match his nice blue eyes and his charming drawl. His courtship was of the eternally-on-hand sort. The life of a garrison offers even greater advantages for this than that of a southern town. He was with Miss Spencer from guard mounting until long after taps. But Miss Spencer liked to see more of him.

"Mr. Randolph, I believe you're lazy!" "Oh, now—Miss May—why? That isn't kind." He gazed at the flag on the flag staff tenderly, and dwelt musically on each word.

"Because."

"It is the privilege of a lady to give that reason." His eyes sought the tennis court in tender, blue abstraction.

"Well, I know you are."

"Won't you have pity on me, and tell me why?"

"Because you never are up until almost guard mount."

"Oh! dear, yes I am. I go over to the hospital at sick call, you know."

"Why don't I ever see you, then?"

"Perhaps you haven't risen yourself."

"I'm always up at reveille."

"No! Goodness; why on earth do you do that?"

"I believe you go over to the hospital the back way and aren't half awake and don't even have a collar on."

"Now, Miss May—how unkind."

"Isn't it true?"

"I always have my collar on." He told a future truth. After this he would wear a collar.

"I hate lazy people."

"Oh, Miss May—how unkind. You don't hate me, I hope?" His eyes were on the pink ribbon that fluttered from her belt; he took hold of it and wound it around his finger, getting gradually nearer to her.

"I do, if you are lazy."

"How can I prove to you that I am not?"

"That's easy enough."

"Do tell me how."

"Just prove it."

"By rising early and letting you see me."

"Well—yes."

"I shall do so to-morrow."

"But I always go for a ride before breakfast."

"May I not join you?"

"If you like. I don't care." Which is feminine for caring very much indeed.

So Dr. Randolph rode with Miss Spencer the next morning, and he breakfasted at the Lorrillards', and he sat on the Lorrillards' porch, to watch guard mounting, and then he played tennis with Miss Spencer, and when it was too hot to do that any longer they sat on the porch again, shaded by the crowsfoot and morning glory vines, and read aloud by turns. They parted for luncheon, but immediately afterward they went again in the Lorrillards' sitting-room to practice the mandolin and guitar. Randolph dined with the Lorrillards, and then he and Miss Spencer walked up and down the line until taps, and after taps they sat on the porch once more and talked in undertones.

Occasionally the Roche boy made a third, and, though he was far from welcome, he never guessed it.

Now, it may seem incredible, but it is true, that though this went on without a pause for ten solid months, Randolph still modestly doubted if he were loved, and dared not voice his passion. Mrs. Lorrillard began to think that she had done quite all that the family could expect of her, and she grew hopeless and weary, moreover, of boarding free two hungry young people. She told Miss Spencer as gently as possible that she might go the next time the ambulance went over to Carthage, which was the railroad station. Miss Spencer told Randolph she was going—and wept. And Randolph consoled her from afar, and actually thought she was weeping at leaving her little nephew and niece and her sister. There are men like that.

The ambulance went a week later to carry Maj. Roche and Teddy Roche to the railroad. Teddy was offered a position at Tucson, and was going to take it; the major had government business at Carthage. The Carthage road is a branch; it joins the main line of the A. T. & S. F. at a station called San Antonio. The major would chaperon the young woman to Carthage; thence she would go to the main line and east, and Teddy to the main line and west. Only Teddy and May compromised. They both went to Socorro, which is on the main line, a very little northeast of San Antonio.

The contract doctor and Miss Spencer had a harrowing parting. The latter lost her temper over his procrastination, and burst into tears. It nearly broke his heart and entirely silenced his tongue.

After she was gone, hopelessly gone, he determined to reveal the secret of his heart, by letter. But, being named Custis Randolph, he put off doing it. Instead, he swung on his hammock all day, and thought of her blue eyes and pretty face and guileless smile, and regretted his erstwhile constant companion. The ambulance would return, empty of its lovely load, in five days. He knew that. He would write when it returned.

So, on the afternoon of the fifth day, he sat, still swinging in the hammock and smoking a pipe, the ashes whereof besprinkled his coat, when the four mules and the ambulance rattled into the post. They stopped at the major's quarters, in a cloud of dust, and two men and a woman alighted. There was no doubt about who the woman was. In his delight, Randolph lost his head. He strode down the broad walk to the Roches.

Miss Spencer was still standing by the ambulance, hunting—with the driver's help—for something under one of the seats. The major and Teddy had gone indoors.

"Why, Miss May!" said Randolph, and this time there was no drawl—"how delightful! What brings you back?"

"Oh! my husband. Teddy and I got married in Socorro, and joined the dear old major again in Carthage the same day."

"How delightful," Randolph repeated, weakly.

"Well, Teddy seemed to think so, but the dear, sweet old major didn't. Anyway, you know, he was so horrid about my shoes on the bad lands that day."

She smiled demurely.

And that was all anyone ever knew about it.—Gwendolen Overton, in San Francisco Argonaut.

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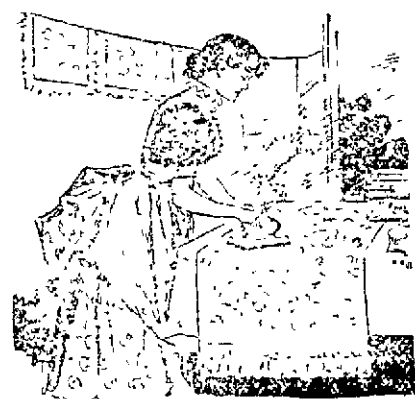
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WEATHER INDICATIONS.
BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25.—Generally fair to-night and Friday; colder, to-night, with temperature near freezing; brisk and high northwesterly winds to-day, decreasing in force to-night.

THE TEMPERATURE.
The following was the registry of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 36°; 12 m., 39°; 3 p. m., 40°.AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.
—March 25—"Coon Hollow," at the Casino.
—March 29—Concert by Mr. Fred A. Heath, at First Baptist Church.
—April 22—Ball of Surprise Hook and Ladder Co., at Assembly Rooms.
—April 28—Bachelor Club hop.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1897.

California oranges sent to Sitka, Alaska, and thence 2,000 miles up the Yukon river to Circle City, were sold for a dollar apiece, probably the highest price ever paid for oranges.

The London *Lancet* says that as a result of preventive medicine the mean duration of the life of males has been increased by four years during the past fifty years, while in the same period five years have been added to the average life of women.

Two years ago the Legislature tried to Republicanize the village of Saratoga, by dividing it into wards, only one of which was Democratic and providing that the trustees, elected by wards, should choose the village president. The people squared accounts with the Republican bosses at the village election, Tuesday, when every Democratic candidate was elected. The Board of Trustees now stands twelve Democrats to one Republican, and Saratoga was never as far away from Republican control as it is to-day. Some political crimes bring their own punishment swift and sure.

Gov. Black adheres to his determination to allow an appropriation of only \$25,000 for the mobilization of the National Guard of the State for the Grant memorial parade. The Adjutant General will, however, order the whole guard to participate in the parade, the Governor having agreed to make no objection to taking \$30,000 from the general appropriation for the guard. This can only be done by drawing on the allotment for the State camp, which can do no harm if half of what Inspector General McEwee says about him at the State camp is true.

Women who do not want women to have the ballot were very much in evidence at the annual woman's suffrage hearing of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate and Assembly, which was held yesterday. Over a dozen anti-suffrage women were on hand while only three advocates of the ballot for women showed up. The anti-suffragists did as much talking as the suffragists and made out a good case. The suffragists have usually had the field entirely to themselves at these annual hearings and they were much disgusted with yesterday's experience. They may, however, console themselves with the thought that the anti-suffragists' arguments did not injure "the Cause." It never had a chance any way.

A HORROR PARTY.
From the *Limna Gazette*.

A "horror party" you must know is an entertainment to which each guest brings the object of his or her greatest horror. A young woman, resident not a hundred miles from China, gave such an affair recently, and one bachelor mind brought with her—a man.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—Surveyors are running a line for a spur of the Lehigh and Hudson Railroad to a quarry at Glenwood.

—Business on the L. & H. R. R. is very dull at present. The night operators at Phillipsburg, Martins Creek and Belvidere have been laid off.

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LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

KILLED BY A BURSTING FLY WHEEL

A Runaway Engine in the Edgar Thomson Steel Works Does Much Damage.

BY UNITED PRESS.

PITTSBURG, March 25.—The engine of mill No. 2, of the Edgar Thomson Steel Works, ran away at midnight, resulting in the bursting of an immense fly wheel. David Hugo, engineer, had both legs crushed and died this morning and George Snyder was fatally injured. The mill was wrecked to the extent of thousands of dollars. Portions of the wheel were thrown a great distance.

AGAINST KINETOSCOPE EXHIBITS OF PRIZE FIGHTS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ALBANY, March 25.—In the Senate Koehler, Democrat, introduced a bill to prevent in this State kinetoscope or similar exhibitions of the Fitzsimmons-Corbett fight or similar encounters.

THE KENTUCKY SENATORSHIP.

Gold and Silver Democrats Ready to Help Elect Gov. Bradley.

BY UNITED PRESS.

LOUISVILLE, March 25.—Senator Blackburn has placed his nomination in the hands of the silver steering committee. It is said they will not withdraw his name until seventeen Republicans are ready to vote for Bradley. It is then stated that the gold and silver Democrats will elect Bradley.

The senatorial fight has reached such an acute stage that detectives are watching members of the legislature in order to frustrate attempts at bribery.

BLOCKADE RUNNERS CAPTURED.

Two Greek Vessels Captured in Cretan Waters.

BY UNITED PRESS.

CANEA, March 25.—An Austrian cruiser has captured a Greek steamer with sixty volunteers and a Greek sailing vessel loaded with ammunition intended for the Cretans. Both were attempting to run the blockade.

WON THE SHOOTING HANDICAP.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ELKWOOD PARK, N. J., March 25.—Thomas A. Marshall, mayor of Keithsburg, Ill., won the grand American handicap by a clean score of twenty-five birds, at the annual meeting of the Interstate Shooting Association.

A MICHIGAN BANK CLOSED.

BY UNITED PRESS.

EDMORE, Mich., March 25.—The Exchange bank has closed its doors. It is said that the claims of depositors will be paid.

SUIT AGAINST THRALL HOSPITAL

The Summons Served Without the Complaint—No One Knows Why the Suit Was Brought.

Thrall Hospital has been sued, but what for no one connected with that institution, or for that matter anybody else, except the plaintiff in the action, seems to know, as the complaint has not yet been served.

The action was brought in Seneca county by William H. Mundy, a lawyer on 241 and 243 West 23rd street, New York, who occupies the dual position of plaintiff and attorney.

The summons was served by Constable Wood upon Miss Belle Horton, secretary of the Board of Managers, after several hours of fruitless endeavor to serve the paper upon the president, Mrs. E. W. Vanduzer.

All that is known of Mundy is that he was a patient in the hospital for several weeks, having been admitted on March 10th, 1895. He was accompanied to the hospital by Hon. W. J. Groo, of this city, who visited him at times while he was a patient.

It will be interesting to learn what possible claim Mr. Mundy can have against, so well managed an institution as Thrall Hospital.

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Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

New York, March 25, '97.

	Yesterday	To-day
Close	Close	Close
Sugar.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
Tobacco.....	75 1/2	75 1/2
Chicago Gas.....	70 1/2	70 1/2
Nat. Lead.....	22 1/2	22 1/2
General Electric.....	33 1/2	33 1/2
U. S. L. pref.....	57 1/2	57 1/2
Tenn. Coal and Iron.....	26 1/2	26 1/2
A. T. & S. F.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
C. B. & Q.....	70 1/2	70 1/2
C. M. & St. P.....	75 1/2	75 1/2
R. I.....	65 1/2	65 1/2
D. L. & W.....	15 1/2	15 1/2
G. of N. J.....	87 1/2	87 1/2
Erie.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
D. and H.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
O. & W.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
Susquehanna & Western.....	24	24
Susquehanna & West, pref.....	24	24
N. W.....	106 1/2	106 1/2
L. S.....	168	167
N. Y. C.....	109	99 1/2
M. P.....	18	18
Texas.....	6 1/2	6 1/2
U. Union.....	85	85 1/2
L. & N.....	46 1/2	46 1/2
Manhattan.....	84 1/2	84 1/2
P. M.....	26 1/2	26 1/2
Wabash, pref.....	13 1/2	13 1/2
So. Pacific, pref.....	35 1/2	34 1/2
W. L.....	—	—
Southern Ry.....	27 1/2	26 1/2
Southern, pref.....	73	72 1/2
May Wheat.....	24 1/2	24 1/2
May Corn.....	17 1/2	17 1/2
May Pork.....	\$9 77	\$8 75
May Lard.....	4 25	4 25

WILL ASK FOR A NEW ELECTION

A Movement in Minisink to Secure a New Vote on the Excise Propositions.

A movement is on foot in Minisink to institute proceedings to compel a new election on the excise propositions all of which were defeated at the recent town meeting. It is claimed that, contrary to the provisions of the election law, the polls were not opened until 9 o'clock, and that many who would have voted for license were prevented from doing so because they had to go to work in places so far away from the polling place that they could not return. The claim is made that enough votes were lost in this way to have changed the result.

The hotel men who are moving in this matter have retained Wilton Bennett, of Port Jervis.

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DAILY ARGUS.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1897.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

—Rooms to let.
—Flat to rent.
—Sub at Greening's.
—Delaware school at Harford's market.
—Parkline orchestra at Columbia Park.
—Koschad at Greening's.
—Best round steak at Greening's.
—Hotel property for sale.
—McMonagle & Rogers' call attention to house-keepers.
—Spring bargains at Chas. Wolff's Sons.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—"Coon Hollow" at the Casino, to-night.
—The last car on the Hospital line will leave Columbia Park at 12 o'clock, to-night.
—R. E. Jones, recently of the Dill House, Florida, has leased the Hotel Warwick in Warwick.
—The Baptist Church, of Norwich, has succeeded in raising the debt of nearly \$10,000 which hampered the church.
—A large company is expected to attend the hop at Columbia Park, to-night, by Parkline's orchestra. A good time is assured.
—Craig, the shoemaker, has leased the store formerly occupied by the Middle-town Clothing Company and will occupy it after April 1st.
—"Coon Hollow" made an excellent impression upon our theatregoers on its previous visit and will therefore undoubtedly draw a crowded house at the Casino, to-night.
—The Holst-in-Friesman herd on Delaware county's alms house farm was sold last week at prices ranging from \$18.50 to \$25. Twenty of the best cows averaged \$35.
—A Delhi physician, last week, amputated two toes of a Delaware county woman, one on each foot, as the only way of relieving her from corns from which she suffered terribly.

PERSONAL.

—Ex-Receiver A. W. Blye, is in town.
—S. A. Ketcham, of Atlantic City, is in town.
—Al. Williams, of Port Jervis was in town, to-day.
—E. F. Kestenhuber, of Parkville, L. I., was in town, last evening.
—Miss M. Dorgan, of East Main street, this city, is very sick with scarlatina.
—Chas. F. Thompson, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Ed. D. Tompkins, last night.
—Mrs. B. G. Palmer, of New York, is visiting her son, J. B. Palmer, in this city.
—Mrs. L. Houston, of Florida, is visiting her brother, J. B. Palmer, on East avenue.
—Mrs. William Millspaugh left town, yesterday afternoon, for Elyria, Ohio, to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nichols. Mr. Nichols is in ill health.
—A. C. Mosher, who is traveling agent for a book publishing house, of New York city, returned to his home in this city, last night, from a five months' business trip in the western States.
—The many friends of Mrs. William B. Royce will be very glad to learn that there is a marked improvement in her condition, to-day. Dr. F. W. Murray, a prominent New York physician, was called last night in consultation.
—J. H. Schuler and bride, of Brooklyn, are visiting at the residence of W. C. Rogers on Wallkill avenue. Mr. Schuler is a nephew of Mrs. Rogers. He and Miss Maggie Hayes were married last evening, and decided to spend a portion of their honeymoon with Mrs. Rogers.

OBITUARY.

Jonas W. Cromwell.

Jonas W. Cromwell, of New York, formerly of this city, died at Chester at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning of laryngitis, after an illness of several months. He came to Chester from New York in the hope that a change of air would benefit him, but he continued to grow worse until death finally relieved him from his sufferings.

He was a son of Charles and Belle Cromwell, and was born at Chester, November 3, 1859. He came to this city with his parents when a boy, and resided here until about ten years ago, when he removed to New York. While living here he worked at the carpenter's trade. After removing to New York he did a successful business as a builder and architect, and his prospects were very bright when his health failed.

He was married to Jennie, daughter of Mrs. William T. Van Nort of South street, this city, who died thirteen years ago, leaving two children, who survive. They are Louis E., who has been with his father in New York, and Clara V. N., who has made her home with her grandmother, Mrs. Van Nort, since her mother's death. He is also survived by one sister, Mamie, of New York.

While residing here Mr. Cromwell was a popular member of Phoenix Engine Co., and filled various offices in the company. He was second assistant engineer of the fire department in 1883.

The funeral will be held at the house of a relative in Chester, where he died, at 2 p. m. to-morrow.

Best of All

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the spring-time comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. One bottle will answer for all the family and costs only 50 cents; the large size \$1. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company only, and for sale by all druggists.

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USED THE WHIP TOO FREELY.

J. C. Mullison, Teacher of the Truant School, Fined \$5 for Thrashing Tommy O'Laughlin—The Boy's Back Badly Marked—An Incurable Truant's Record, But There Are Excuses Even for Incurable Truancy.

J. C. Mullison, teacher of the truant school, was fined \$5, yesterday afternoon, for cruelly punishing Tommy O'Laughlin, who is not quite ten years old.

The boy was offered as an exhibit by W. T. Shaw, who appeared for complainant. He was not "marked for identification," having been sufficiently marked before. Recorder Barnes, when he examined the boy, found his back and legs covered with livid welts and weals and black and blue bruises.

Mr. Mullison said he had thrashed the boy because he thought he needed thrashing and said that he was responsible for the lad's battered condition. It seems, however, from an investigation made by Superintendent Tutill, this morning, that Mr. Mullison assumed responsibility for more of the boy's bangs and bruises than was really necessary. Tommy comes in for punishment at both ends of the route,—at home and at school. His mother uses a stick or anything that is handy and she was undoubtedly responsible for the bruises. Mr. Mullison who uses a riding whip, which is said to be a rawhide, was, however, responsible for the welts and weals. Those who saw the boy say \$5 was dirt cheap for such an assault as was committed on him.

Tommy O'Laughlin is not a model boy. He is the most incorrigible truant among the truants whom Mr. Mullison with book and rod is training in the ways of useful citizenship. Since the beginning of the school year he has been absent seventy-seven times. These absences have been only half-days for the bogie man runs Tommy down as soon as he fails to appear at school. In the view of the revelations made yesterday as to the pleasures of attending the truant school, we may be pardoned for suggesting that Tommy's attendance record, though far from perfect, seems uncommonly good, but all the same Mrs. O'Laughlin's stick, Mr. Mullison's riding whip and Bogie Man Penny's springing are not crowding Tommy up the hill of knowledge at a very rapid rate.

It has been a rule of the Board of Education that Mr. Mullison was not to thrash pupils without the sanction and approval of the Superintendent. This rule it seems has not been strictly enforced and Mr. Mullison has used his riding whip according to his own notions,—well rather than wisely.

As a result of yesterday's police court experience, a brake is to be put on Mr. Mullison's strong right arm. The rule against punishing only with the sanction and approval of the Superintendent is to be strictly enforced and to make sure that Mr. Mullison does not play the role of public whipper with too much vigor and enthusiasm he is only to be allowed to ply the rod in the presence of Bogie Man Penny, who is to be detailed by the Board of Education as an expert in castigation.

An effort is being made by the Board of Education to secure the remission of Mr. Mullison's fine. Recorder Barnes has not yet remitted it.

HOMESICK AND KILLED HIMSELF

A Young Swede Commits Suicide by Hanging.

Sten Emil Svenson, a Swede, a farm hand employed by George W. Miller, a farmer of the town of Warwick, residing near Andry, committed suicide by hanging yesterday morning.

He ate his breakfast as usual, and was left by Mr. Miller at the stable cleaning the horses at 7:45 o'clock. About 8 o'clock Mr. Miller's son, Albert, went into the wagon house, and was startled by seeing Svenson's body suspended by the neck a rope from attached to one of the rafters.

The boy told his father and E. Waterbury, who happened to be near, and they cut the body down, but life was extinct.

It was apparent that the man had climbed upon a pile of bags of feed, attached a rope to a rafter, and after after placing the noose about his neck stepped off.

Svenson came to this country about a year ago, with big notions of America, but like many another emigrant, did not realize his expectations. He has worked for Mr. Miller since October 1st, 1896. He had become homesick, and Mr. Miller asked him if he did not want to visit a sister in Brooklyn. He said he did, and had arranged to go yesterday, but when he got up in the morning and saw it raining he became despondent, and doubtless carried out an intention he had previously formed of ending his troubles by taking his life. A letter in his pocket of a recent date directed that his brother should have whatever property he might possess at his death.

Coroner Decker held an inquest yesterday afternoon, the verdict being in accordance with the facts.

Business Change.

E. K. Becknell, having decided to discontinue the novelty business in Middletown, has sold the store known as "The Housekeepers' Bargain Store," No. 6 East Main street, to B. S. Dayton & Son, who are offering the goods at "get rid of" prices until April 1st, when the balance of the stock will be removed to their main store, No. 29 North street.

To Play Ball in Pennsylvania.

Arthur Madison, of the Asylum ball team, will leave town in a few days for Lancaster, Pa. He has signed with the Lancaster team and will play in the Pennsylvania League, this season.

STATE HOSPITAL MANAGERS.

Quarterly Meeting To-day—Routine Business—Tribute to Geo. H. Decker, Late Secretary of the Board.

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Managers of the Middletown State Homeopathic Hospital was held in this city to-day, present, U. T. Hayes, J. W. Stauson, J. B. Carson, C. Macardell, J. D. Stivers and E. D. Tompkins, of this city; J. J. McCroskey, of Newburgh; Dr. Wetmore, H. L. Slot and F. W. DeVoe, of New York.

Only routine business was transacted. Several members of the Board spoke in eulogistic terms of the services of Geo. H. Decker, who until recently was the secretary of the Board, and the following remarks made by C. Macardell were ordered spread upon the minutes:

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD:—I feel that any words I may employ expressive of regret that the presence of our late Secretary, Geo. H. Decker, no longer graces and adorns our meetings, no longer makes these occasions the more delightful by his eloquence, the more useful by his wisdom in council, will be regarded by you as inadequate to the subject.

During all the years he was one of this body's best for us all a shining example of fidelity to trust; of unswerving loyalty to the State; of unbounded sympathy for and heartfelt interest in the welfare of its afflicted wards in this institution.

That the loss of such service as was his is a public loss, and is to be deplored, none can gainsay. This alone is sufficient cause for regret that this association with us has terminated.

The sentiments expressed by Mr. Macardell were most heartily endorsed by all the members of the Board.

WAYLAIED IN THE STREET.

A Young Man Assaulted at East Main Street Crossing—Knocks His Assailant Down.

Last night, about 11:30 o'clock, a well known young man of this city who had escorted a lady to her home, and was returning, met a man at the East Main street crossing.

The latter said: "Hello." The young man said, "Good Evening," and at the same time was tripped up and fell. As he went down his assailant struck at him but he dodged the blow and managed to get to his feet and knocked the other fellow down and gave him a well deserved kick or two, and then jumped on a passing freight train leaving the man lying on the crossing.

The young man says he knows his assailant by sight, but not by name, and will keep a look out for him. Robbery is supposed to have been the man's object.

Social for North Street M. E. Chapel.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the North Street M. E. Chapel, will hold a social gathering, Friday evening, March 26th, in the chapel.

The ladies are anxious to have a large attendance. There will be a short entertainment followed by a supper.

There will be a "sweet surprise" and during the evening each one will be given an opportunity to participate in the "X-rays."

Entertainment free, supper 10 cents.

Wedding Invitations.

Friends in this city have received invitations to the marriage of Miss Emily J. Decker, daughter of the late B. F. Decker, and Melvin R. Wilkin, which will take place in the Chester Presbyterian Church, Wednesday evening, April 7, at 6:45 o'clock. A reception will follow at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Decker, in Chester.

Cards of Thanks.

Mrs. William Forbes desires the Argus to express her gratitude to friends and neighbors for their aid and sympathy in her recent bereavement.

Otis Blakeney and family wish to express their sincere thanks to friends and relatives for their kindness and sympathy during their great bereavement.

A "Experience Social."

The Universalist Ladies' Aid Society will hold an "experience social," this evening, at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Neating, 109 West Main street. Everybody in sympathy with the church and its work, together with their friends, are cordially invited.

Attention, Phoenix!

A special meeting of Phoenix Engine Company will be held, this evening, at 8 o'clock, to take action on the death of past foreman J. D. Cromwell.

Ed. A. LORENTZ,
Vice President.

A Convention of Red Men.

The convention of the Hudson Valley Association of Tribes of Red Men will be held in this city, July 9th. The association consists of various tribes in Orange, Sullivan, Ulster, and Rockland counties.



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INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN COSHEN.

Invited to the Wallkill Social Club—A Sick Barber—To Leave H. A. Horton & Co.—Driving Park Association Election.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

A number of invitations have been received in this village for the social party of the Wallkill Social Club, at the Assembly Rooms, Middletown, on the evening of the 26th inst.

—Pascual Ramirez, the Occidental barber, has been laid up for several days by a stomach trouble.

—Ernest Shaw, who for several years has been prescription clerk in the drug store of H. A. Horton & Co., will resign about April 15, and accept a position elsewhere.

—The annual election of officers of the Orange County Driving Park Association will be held at the St. Elmo Hotel, Saturday afternoon of this week, at 2 p. m.

MADE AN ASSIGNMENT.

The Plumbing Firm of Perriman & Simpson Assign to C. L. Elwood.

The plumbing firm of Perriman & Simpson made a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, this morning. C. L. Elwood is the assignee.

This step was forced upon the firm by reason of suits commenced by New York creditors.

The total liabilities, besides a chattel mortgage of \$150 held by A. H. Pratt and Ed. Flood, amount to \$819.77 and the assets about \$1,100 of which \$200 is in good book accounts.

The Middletown creditors are preferred and are as follows: A. H. Hopper, rent \$72; Hoyt & Galloway, hardware \$62; Wilson & Wood, coal \$12; R. T. McCornal, painting \$15; Case & Taylor, insurance \$7; I. S. Benjamin, castings \$1.77.

John Wilkin, Esq., is attorney for Mr. Perriman, and Vananue, Watts & Vail for Mr. Simpson.

CITY BOUNDARY ENLARGEMENT.

A Hearing on the Bill at Albany, To-day—The City's Representatives.

Mayor Berry, Aldermen Munro, Bastian and Memory, ex-Mayors Iseman and Bailey and City Attorney Wiggins, went to Albany, to-day, to attend the hearing on the bill for the extension of the city's boundaries and to present the city's reasons for desiring to increase its territory.

John I. Bradley, of Wawayanda, who is opposed to the bill, also went to Albany, in company with his attorney, to give reasons why he should not be annexed to the city.

Agricultural Society Committee Coming Here.

A committee from the Orange County Agricultural Society will visit this city to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock, to confer with the Middletown Fair and Driving Park association.

Universalist Church Election.

The members of the First Universalist Church Society are holding a meeting, this afternoon, for the purpose of forming a permanent organization.

Truth in a Nut-shell.

Impure blood is the natural result of close confinement in house, school room or shop.

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Last Week of Our March Carpet Sale.

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the town of Mount Hope, in said county, de-
ceased, that they are required to present the same
with the proper vouchers thereon to the sub-
scribing administrator of the estate of said
deceased, at his place of residence in the town of
Goshen, in the said county of Orange, on or be-
fore the 25th day of September next.

Dated March 22nd, 1897.
LEWIS H. EVERETT, administrator.
GEO. H. DECKER, Attorney for administrator,
Middletown, N. Y.

Hand Completion

"Here," called the young lady in the
railway restaurant, to the drummer
who had just purchased two petrified
doughnuts. "You red-headed man!
This nickel has a hole in it."
But the drummer only smiled. He
wouldn't you like to buy a dozen smile,
and went out. His conscience was un-
scathed. For the doughnuts had hole-
in them too.—N. Y. Journal.

Inopportune.

Proprietor Tonsorial Parlors—See
here, when that Mr. Norox comes here
again to get shaved, before you com-
mence on him just mention to him that
we have gone over to the cash system.
Subordinate Artist—Oh, Lord! I did
the last time he was here and his face
got so long that I didn't get through by
closing time.—N. Y. Truth.

In Hard Luck.

Mr. Scribbler—When I came to New
York I didn't have a cent in my pocket.
Mr. Murray Hill—I was worse off
than that when I came to New York. I
didn't even have a pocket.

Scribbler—How was that?

Murray Hill—I was born here.—Tam-
many Times.

No Vacancy Anywhere.

"I called," said the confident young
man with manuscript sticking out of
his pocket, "to see whether there is a
vacancy in this office."

"No," replied the melancholy editor
as he looked around the place. "I'm
sorry to say there is none. Even the
waste basket is full."—Washington Star.

Explained It.

Customer—I don't see how anybody
can handle a big stock of glass like
this without doing a lot of breaking.

Persuasive Salesman—They can't,
mam. Two firms broke all to pieces
trying to handle this lot. That's why
we can sell it so cheap.—Chicago Trib-
une.

Discharged.

Judge—What made you hit this inof-
fensive man?

Prisoner—He was all the time read-
ing Scotch dialect.

Judge—That's no protection.

Prisoner—But, your honor, he insist-
ed on reading it out loud.—Town Top-
ics.

Fixed Principles.

First Citizen—I always vote to turn
the rascals out.

Second Citizen—But suppose you
side wins. What do you do then?

First Citizen—Then I go over to the
other side, and keep on voting to turn
the rascals out.—Up-to-Date.

Disposed Of.

Sally Mander (sentimentally)—Did
you ever feel that strange, unaccount-
able unrest?

Jerry Mander—Yes, once, in a New
Jersey hotel. But I found 'em when I
lit the lamp and searched.—Philadelphia Press.

Great Prospects.

Blanche—You don't tell me that you
are engaged to a hotel waiter?

Cor—Yes, but he'll be rich some day.

"Nonsense!"

"Certainly he will. Don't you know
that all things come to him who waits?"

—Harlem Life.

The Obverse and the Reverse.

The Adorer—"It's wonderful, old man,
what love will enable a fellow to see in
a girl that he never saw before!"

The Onlooker—"No doubt! But it's
equally wonderful what it won't let
him see that he'll see later.—Brooklyn
Life.

Didn't Know the Difference.

Young Husband—Ethel, my dear, is
this canned lobster or canned chicken?

Young Wife—Really, I don't know.

John. The label has been torn off the
can.—N. Y. Journal.

Proof Very Plain.

A white man and his colored friend
were brought up for a fight.

"The proof is plain," the judge said.
"It's here in black and white."

—Ohio State Journal

IN SNOWBALL ALLEY.



"Heah, niggah, I dropped dat quarter
dat youse jes' pick'ed up."
"Dat so? Well, drop another."—N. Y.
Truth.

Unheeded.

The caution "Post No Bills," forsooth,
Doth often greet the eye.

"Tis plain my tailor heeds it not—
My mail will testify."—Up-to-Date.

Tagalanti Conundrum.

Why are ladies the biggest thieves in
existence? Because they steal their
petticoats, bone their stays, crib their
babies, and hook their dresses.—Golden
Penny.

Prepared for It.

Mamie—Is Ethel going to the blow-
out?

George—I think so; she's got a fresh
supply of powder.—Adam-Freeman.

Slaney.

"Is the sail the only thing that guides
a ship?" asked the green passenger.

"No," said the mate. "There are rud-
ders."—Indianapolis Journal.

The Last Straw.

May—Why did you let Chollie kiss
you?

Famelet—There was no one else to do
it.—Town Topics.

LOCATIONS OF FIRE ALARM BOXES.
For the information of our readers, we publish
below a complete list of the numbers and loca-
tions of all the fire alarm boxes in this city.
14—Wickham Ave., cor. Prince, O. & W. R. R.
15—North street and Low avenue, hat shops.
16—North St. and Wheeler Ave., type shop.
17—Broadway and Montgomery street.
18—Grand avenue and Prince street.
19—Wickham avenue corner Liberty street.
20—West Main street and Wickham avenue.
21—North street corner Wickham avenue.
22—James and Henry streets.
23—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
24—Merile street corner Wickham avenue.
25—W. Main street, corner North-gon avenue.
26—State Hospital Gate.
27—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
28—North street and Prince street.
29—Holt and Mill streets, hat shop.
30—High and Hanford streets.
31—Hampden street, corner Prince street.
32—Liberty street and East avenue.
33—Broadway and Montgomery street.
34—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
35—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
36—Academy avenue and Goshen street.
37—Merile and Prospect streets.
38—Grand street and Sprague avenues.
39—East Main street and Prospect avenue.
40—North street, near Orchard.
41—Franklin square.
42—Hampden square.
43—Hampden square.
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49—Hampden square.
50—Hampden square.

A Great Medicine Given Away.
J. J. Chambers, 57 North street, is
now giving free to all a trial package of
the great herbal remedy, Bacon's Celery
King. It ladies suffering from nervous
disorders and constipation will use this
remedy they will soon be free from the
headaches and backaches that have
caused them so much suffering. It is a
perfect regulator. It quickly cures bil-
iousness, indigestion, eruptions of the
skin and all blood diseases. Large sizes
25 and 50 cents.

Torturing, itching, scaly skin, eru-
ptions, burns and scalds are soothed at
once and promptly healed by DeWitt's
Witch Hazel Salve, the best known cure
for piles. W. D. Olney.

Sclerotic Rheumatism Cured.
L. Wagner, wholesale druggist, Rich-
mond, Va., says: "I had a fearful at-
tack of sclerotic rheumatism, was laid up
almost two months; was fortunate
enough to get Mystic Cure For Rheuma-
tism. This cured me after doctors' pre-
scriptions had failed to have any effect.
I have also heard of fine results from
others who have used it." J. E. Mills,
Druggist, No. 2 Empire Block, North
street, Middletown, N. Y.

They are so small that the most sen-
sitive persons take them, they are so ef-
fective that the most obstinate cases of
constipation, headache and torpid liver
yield to them. That is why DeWitt's
Little Early Risers are known as the
amous little pills. W. D. Olney.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-
tories of
J. C. Anderson, N. Y.

Many cases of "Grippe" have lately
been cured by One Minute Cough Cure.
This preparation seems especially adapted
to the cure of this disease. It acts
quickly thus preventing serious com-
plications and bad effects in which this
disease often leaves the patient. W. D.
Olney.

When you are suffering from Catarrh
or Cold in the head you want relief right
away. Only 10 cents is required to test
it. Ask your druggist for the trial size of
Ely's Cream Balm, or buy the 50 cent
size. We mail it.
Ely Bros., 56 Warren street, New York
City.

I was afflicted with catarrh last
autumn. During the month of October
I could neither taste nor smell and could
hear but little. Ely's Cream Balm cured
it.—Marcus George Shantz, Railway,
N. Y.

Would Not Do Without Dr. Hand's Colic Cure.

MEMPHIS, N. Y., Nov. 11, '95.—The
Hand Medicine Co.: "Our baby, now
nearly four months old, has been trou-
bled ever since birth by Wind Colic. At
first we tried the usual remedies, but
until we tried Dr. Hand's Colic Cure
found nothing that would give relief.
Now we would not think of being with-
out your Colic Cure and Dr. Hand's
Remedies for Children, 25 cents. At all
druggists.

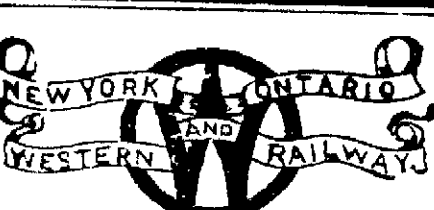
One minute is all the time necessary
to decide from personal experience that
One Minute Cough Cure does what its
name implies. W. D. Olney.

For over Fifty Years

Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP has been used
by millions of mothers for their children's
coughing, it is soothed at night and broken
up by cutting teeth and at once and not a hor-
rible cry. Mrs. Winslow's soothing syrup for
children's coughing, it will relieve the poor little
sufferer immediately. Doped upon it, mothers
there is no mistake about it. It cures Diarrhea,
colic, the stomach and bowels, cures Wind
Colic, softens the gums, reduces inflammation,
and gives tone and energy to the whole system.
"Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children
coughing is pleasant to the taste and is the pre-
scription of one of the oldest and best female
physicians and nurses in the United States. Price
twenty-five cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists
throughout the world. Beware of cheap imitations.
Winslow's Soothing Syrup, New York.

E. E. Turner, of Compton, Mo., writes
us that after suffering from piles for
seventeen years, he completely cured
them by using three boxes of DeWitt's
Witch Hazel Salve. It cures eczema and
severe skin diseases. W. D. Olney.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.
If you want to quit tobacco using easily
and forever, be made well, strong, magnetic,
full of new life and vigor, take No-To-Bac,
the wonder-worker, that makes weak men
strong. Many gain ten pounds in ten days.
Over 400,000 cured. Buy No-To-Bac of your
druggist, under guarantee to cure, 50c.
\$1.00. Booklet and sample mailed free. Ad-
dressing Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.



Time Table in Effect Dec. 20th, 1896.

NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	11	12	14	20	2
	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM
N. Y. Leave	7:40	8:45	9:45	10:45	11:45
Franklin St.	7:42	8:47	9:47	10:47	11:47
W. 22d St.	7:44	8:49	9:49	10:49	11:49
Weehawken	7:46	8:51	9:51	10:51	11:51
Cornwall	7:48	8:53	9:53	10:53	11:53
W. 20th St.	7:50	8:55	9:55	10:55	11:55
Ort's Mills	7:52	8:57	9:57	10:57	11:57
Little Britain	7:54	8:59	9:59	10:59	11:59
Burbridge	7:56	9:01	10:01	11:01	12:01
Campbell Hill	7:58	9:03	10:03	11:03	12:03
Stony Ford	8:00	9:05	10:05	11:05	12:05
Mt. Vernon	8:02	9:07	10:07	11:07	12:07
Mt. Pleasant	8:04	9:09	10:09	11:09	12:09
Mt. Hope	8:06	9:11	10:11	11:11	12:11
Mt. Pleasant	8:08	9:13	10:13	11:13	12:13
Mt. Hope	8:10	9:15	10:15	11:15	12:15
Mt. Pleasant	8:12	9:17	10:17	11:17	12:17
Mt. Hope	8:14	9:19	10:19	11:19	12:19
Mt. Pleasant	8:16	9:21	10:21	11:21	12:21
Mt. Hope	8:18	9:23	10:23	11:23	12:23
Mt. Pleasant	8:20	9:25	10:25	11:25	12:25
Mt. Hope	8:22	9:27	10:27	11:27	12:27
Mt. Pleasant	8:24	9:29	10:29	11:29	12:29
Mt. Hope	8:26	9:31	10:31	11:31	12:31
Mt. Pleasant	8:28	9:33	10:33	11:33	12:33
Mt. Hope	8:30	9:35	10:35	11:35	12:35
Mt. Pleasant	8:32	9:37	10:37	11:37	12:37
Mt. Hope	8:34	9:39	10:39	11:39	12:39
Mt. Pleasant	8:36	9:41	10:41	11:41	12:41
Mt. Hope	8:38	9:43	10:43	11:43	12:43
Mt. Pleasant	8:40	9:45	10:45	11:45	12:45
Mt. Hope	8:42	9:47	10:47	11:47	12:47
Mt. Pleasant	8:44	9:49	10:49	11:49	12:49
Mt. Hope	8:46	9:51	10:51	11:51	12:51
Mt. Pleasant	8:48	9:53	10:53	11:53	12:53
Mt. Hope	8:50	9:55	10:55	11:55	12:55
Mt. Pleasant	8:52	9:57	10:57	11:57	12:57
Mt. Hope	8:54	9:59	10:59	11:59	12:59
Mt. Pleasant	8:56	10:01	11:01	12:01	1:01
Mt. Hope	8:58	10:03	11:03	12:03	1:03
Mt. Pleasant	9:00	10:05	11:05	12:05	1:05
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RED MEN AT ELLENVILLE.

They Assist in Dedication of a New Wigwam—A Street Parade and Banquet.

Fifty-three Red Men from this city and twelve from the Hudson Valley Association of Tribes, last evening, participated in the dedication of the new wigwam of Napanog Tribe. Members of the order were present from Newburgh, Kingston, Monticello and Spaulding, the total number of Red Men being 275. There were also present about 300 pale faces, the guests of the order.

The new quarters of Napanog Tribe are on the third floor of the National Bank building and consist of a very large and handsome lodge room, large dining hall, kitchen, parlor and ante-room.

When the Red Men and their guests had assembled in the hall, an address of welcome was delivered by John B. Ripper, secretary of the Hudson Valley Association of Tribes.

The Great Chiefs present were Great Sachem Higby, of New York; Great Senior Sagamore Biglin, of New York; Great Keeper of Records and Seal Mark A. Durham, of Binghamton; Great Samape John Orr, of Orr's Mills, this county.

The dedication ceremonies were conducted by Great Sachem Higby, assisted by Great Samape Orr. Willet N. Townsend, District Deputy of Ulster county, was master of ceremonies. Addresses were made by Mr. Durham, of Binghamton, and A. B. Parker, of Ellenville.

A handsome ballot box was presented to the Tribe by E. C. Arkells in behalf of Poughkeepsie Indians of this city. The box is ingeniously contrived to secure secrecy in balloting, rings a bell when each ballot is deposited, is handsome in design and is made of 627 pieces very skillfully joined together. It was made with an ordinary pocket knife by William Corwin, of the condensery.

There was a parade of Red Men in regalia, headed by Clayton's Band. The streets had been scraped clean for the occasion and fireworks and colored fires lighted up the route of the procession.

A fine banquet was served by the lady friends of Napanogs. It was well cooked, well served, the variety was all that could be desired and the quantity was more than enough to feed the 600 people who sat down to the tables. After the banquet the ladies presented each of the delegations from neighboring tribes with a large cake.

The Middletown Indians arrived home at 8:30 o'clock, this morning, delighted with their trip and loud in their praises of their Ellenville brothers and the latter's pale face friends.

LOVE IN VERY LOW LIFE.

Lived in an Annex to the Hog Pen for Love of Jerry Lucie.

From the Goshen Independent

Annie Malloy is in Goshen jail awaiting a further hearing, on a charge of burglary in the third degree, committed last fall. She was found by Officer Van Leuven, Sunday night, on the premises of Mrs. Mary Lucie, near St. John's Cemetery. It seems that Jerry Lucie and Annie have loved each other for some time. Jerry's mother objected, and refused to have Annie about her house, so in November last Jerry constructed an addition to the hog pen in the rear of the house, in which he fixed a bunk for Annie, and there she has stayed the greater portion of her time ever since, carefully guarded and fed by Jerry. Annie and Jerry are both willing to marry, but it is said she has thus far been unable to find a person willing to perform the ceremony.

New York Condensed Milk Co.'s Prices at Delhi.

From the Delhi Gazette.

The Milk Condensery contracted with 124 dairymen, Thursday, for the ensuing six months at the following prices: April, \$1; May, \$1.05; June, \$1.10; July, \$1.15; August, \$1.20; September, \$1.25; October, \$1.30; November, \$1.35; December, \$1.40; January, \$1.45; February, \$1.50; March, \$1.55; April, \$1.60; May, \$1.65; June, \$1.70; July, \$1.75; August, \$1.80; September, \$1.85; October, \$1.90; November, \$1.95; December, \$2.00; January, \$2.05; February, \$2.10; March, \$2.15; April, \$2.20; May, \$2.25; June, \$2.30; July, \$2.35; August, \$2.40; September, \$2.45; October, \$2.50; November, \$2.55; December, \$2.60; January, \$2.65; February, \$2.70; March, \$2.75; April, \$2.80; May, \$2.85; June, \$2.90; July, \$2.95; August, \$3.00; September, \$3.05; October, \$3.10; November, \$3.15; December, \$3.20; January, \$3.25; February, \$3.30; March, \$3.35; April, \$3.40; May, \$3.45; June, \$3.50; July, \$3.55; August, \$3.60; September, \$3.65; October, \$3.70; November, \$3.75; 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